CITY OF MILWAUKIE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION JULY 15, 1997

Mayor Lomnicki called the work session to order at 5:00 p.m. in the second floor conference room at Milwaukie City Hall.

Councilors present: Tomei, Schreiber, Kappa, and Trotter.

Staff present: City Manager Bartlett; Assistant City Manager Richards; Public Works Director Brink; Community Development Director Collins; and Civil Engineer Bennett.

Information Sharing

- 1. **Councilmember Kappa** said the Parks District was sponsoring Skate Daze 97 on July 27 at the Aquatic Park.
- 2. The group discussed Councilmember Tomei's appointment to the Community Action Board, and staff was directed to follow-up with John Mullen.
- 3. **Councilmember Kappa** suggested announcing the series of concerts scheduled at Ardenwald Park.
- 4. Councilmember Kappa discussed his position on the Clackamas River Watershed Council as one of the Clackamas Cities alternates.

Regional Transportation Funding

Mayor Lomnicki said the statewide funding package failed for political reasons relating to the Charter School legislation. There were some concerns among the legislators, but the overall package was sound. At the last JPACT meeting, members were asked to gather input from their respective boards on how to proceed. He asked the Councilors to express their opinions on a transportation package that might include a Tri-County gas tax agreement. Mayor Lomnicki discussed Milwaukie's infrastructure needs and the public's demands for traffic calming devices. He noted there were efforts outside the Metro area to develop transportation funding packages which could contain sunset clauses if the legislature were to pass a statewide plan.

Councilmember Trotter felt it was important to consider a comprehensive strategy that would include both local and regional options.

Mayor Lomnicki discussed funding for not only arterials but also streets designated as collectors and below. People need to know how the money would be spent.

Councilmember Kappa said the key issue was to focus on preserving existing roads. The group discussed the split diamond concept at Sunnyside Road.

The group discussed the need to poll the public and to lay adequate groundwork prior to an election.

Councilmember Kappa suggested developing a strategy for collectors and local neighborhood streets.

Mayor Lomnicki said some cities have established a street utility, but he preferred a regional approach.

Clackamas Basin Regional Water Supply IGA Drafting Committee

Bartlett said he had designated Mike Swanson to be on the group working toward developing a 190 Agreement. **Councilmember Kappa** agreed to serve as the City Council representative.

Storm Water Master Plan

Brink discussed the long-standing complaints from the Island Station Neighborhood regarding storm water runoff. He felt it was appropriate to address these needs immediately since they were not contained in the Storm Water Master Plan.

Bennett added funds were available in the adopted budget. She discussed the concerns raised at the Neighborhood District Association (NDA) meeting in addition to runoff complaints the Public Works Department had previously received.

Brink reviewed the Master Plan which he expected to be finalized this month. Staff recommended Brookside as the first project. The scope of work would include: replacing the existing 24" pipe with about 2,600 feet of 48" pipe or pipes totaling 48"; and relocating the existing Johnson Creek outfall to the west. The impact to Johnson Creek's water depth was expected to be minimal, and the water quality concern would be addressed by installing a sedimentation manhole just before the outfall. He felt the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) requirements would be satisfied. Testing would be done for temperature and ecoli. The engineer's estimate for the project was about \$359,000.

Mayor Lomnicki asked if the ditch size would be increased for additional flows. **Brink** said the existing swail system would be abandoned and the pipe moved to the west.

Bartlett explained staff was seeking direction to proceed with Montgomery Watson on the design services for Phase 1.

Paving Projects

Bartlett discussed the backlog and proposed scheduled maintenance.

Brink discussed the continuing interest in Monroe Street and its position as a Storm Water Master Plan project. The City has about \$150,000 available annually for street improvements. He referred to staff report page 7 which contained a priority list of projects based on PMSI data. This data indicated a group of local streets needed rehabilitation more than any other class of streets in the City. Staff recommended postponing the Monroe Street Project until the underground infrastructure was dealt with as outlined in the CIP and focus on local street rehabilitation over the next three to five years.

Councilmember Kappa asked if the underground infrastructure would have an impact on the actual street design. **Brink** said it would not.

Brink discussed the rehabilitation costs and the feasibility of a road System Development Charge (SDC) or road usage fee.

Bartlett said the City of Wilsonville bases its fee on equivalent dwelling units and business-related trip generation.

Councilmember Trotter was concerned about a local effort while going out for a regional funding source. **Bartlett** discussed Washington County's gas tax and how Clackamas County was perceived as having done nothing for its share.

Mayor Lomnicki said this issue had come up at JPACT, and he felt strongly that problems needed to be solved from a regional perspective. He understood the City Council to say it was in favor of a regional plan based on needs expressed by the public.

Councilmember Kappa agreed, but he felt there should be a strategy for city-funded improvements.

Brink discussed assembling data for the Financial Consulting Solutions Group, Inc., (FCSG) based on the TSP to suggest a System Development Charge (SDC) amount or road usage fee. **Bartlett** added the Citizens Utility Advisory Board (CUAB) would review any proposal and make a recommendation to the City Council.

Mayor Lomnicki said, if jurisdictions were developing their own plans, he needed to convey that information to JPACT.

Councilmember Schreiber recommended a sunset clause on any jurisdiction's fees and charges if a regional plan were adopted.

Councilmember Tomei asked if these types of fees would have to go to a vote.

Mayor Lomnicki said only if they were referred by initiative.

Councilmember Schreiber asked if Monroe Street residents were expecting this delay. Bartlett felt expectations were probably split, but residents needed to know it would take five to six years to coordinate with the other underground utilities.

Councilmember Trotter urged dispersing information through the Neighborhood District Associations (NDAs).

Bartlett discussed neighborhood allocations and that residents in new neighborhoods could not expect to be prioritized for improvements.

The City Council agreed it supported a regional effort with a fair allocation, and it also wanted to develop a City strategy with a sunset clause. The CUAB membership was discussed.

Brink estimated it would take about four months to develop an SDC recommendation and over a year for a road usage fee methodology.

The group supported a regional effort while assessing a local strategy.

Mayor Lomnicki adjourned the work session at 6:45 p.m.

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Pat DuVal, Recorder